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KANSAS FIGHT INTERESTING.

Allen and Bowersock Tied in the
Second Congressional District.

TOPEKA, Kas., Feb. 21.—Politicians of the
entire State are watching for the Repub-
lican congressional nomination in the Sec-
ond District.

Allen and Anderson counties held primar-
ies yesterday. Henry Allen carried the
former and Congressman Bowersock the
latter.

As it stands now, Allen and Bowersock
are tied, with Henry McGraw holding the
balance of power in Wyandotte County
with a delegation of forty.

Slipped on Sidewalk.

William Ward was taken to the City
Hospital yesterday afternoon suffering
from a sprained ankle, sustained by a
fall on the icy sidewalk at the corner
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Fathers May Not Lease Lands
Without First Being Appoint-
ed Children's Guardians.

AFFECTS LAND COMPANIES.

Provision Requiring Lessees to
Build Houses Means Great
and Immediate Improve-
ment of the Territory.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Muscooke, I. T., Feb. 21.—The decision of the Indian Territory Court of Appeals at South McAlester Saturday, affirming the decision of Judge Raymond of the Western District in the matter of guardianship for Creek minors, was one of the most important that has ever been handed down in the Territory, and is regarded by many as equaling in significance the act creating the Dawes Commission.

There are 30,000,000 acres of land in the Indian Territory. At least three-fourths, of 15,000,000 acres, is the property of minors. Judge Raymond decided, and the court upheld, that a father cannot lease his Indian child's land without first being appointed its guardian.

The case in point was that of the Indian Land and Trust Company vs. the Indian agent and others, to restrain the agent from putting a lessee off an allotment that had been leased for a minor by its natural guardian. The court of the Western District held that a natural guardian cannot handle the estate of a minor without having first been appointed legal guardian by the court. The case was appealed and the decision of Judge Raymond affirmed.

According to the ruling of Judge Raymond, the court not only appoints the guardian for minors, but he passes upon the leases of land that are made for them. He has a general outline of form of lease which must be complied with, or the lease will not be approved. This applies to leases other than those which have to be passed upon by the Secretary of the Interior.

This lease has as a part provision that there must be a reasonably good house built by the lessee; he must build fences, improve and cultivate the land.

This will have a wide effect in two ways. It will cause a house to be built on every quarter section of land and the land cultivated and improved. On the other hand, it will invalidate all the leases that are held by the big companies on the allotments of minors made by their parents and natural guardians. This will ruin many of the lease companies that have taken five-year leases and paid the money in advance.

There is no way of suing the Indian, and his land cannot be held for debt. Yet most of these land companies proceeded in good faith and complied with all the requirements of the law at the time. The big companies took the leases from a purely speculative standpoint, and in most instances, would never have put the improvements on them that will be required if the Raymond plan is carried out.

The improvements that are put on the place will, of course, be a part of them—a part of the consideration of the lease—and the action of the Judge is predicated on the theory that an actual settler and farmer will do more to improve the country than the big land companies when he makes the provision that the farms must be improved and cultivated when they are leased.

If this land passes under the direct control of the judiciary, it means that there will be 3,000 acres to each Judge, and to keep tabs on that amount of land will be itself all the work one man can do. This view of the fact that the Indian Territory has docketed already over-crowded with criminal cases, to say nothing of the civil and probate business, means that there will have to be immediate relief for the judiciary.

This power, in the hands of the judiciary, is far greater than that of the Secretary of the Interior. It means that leasing, so far as the amount of land is concerned, the Secretary only approves leases made for Indians, but he does not plan the Judges will pass upon all leases that are made for terms running from one to five years.

To get an immediate decision on this question the Court of Appeals was presented a petition signed by the Secretary, asking that it be taken up at once, in order that lessors and lessees might proceed with intelligence in time for the crops for the year 1904.

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Dog Before Crossing Line.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Washington, Feb. 21.—All the dog catchers in Detroit may be required to get any dogs in Detroit that are found to be carrying diamonds in a frankfurter.

The two men whom I heard talking about it propose to put the diamonds into a small frankfurter sausage. Then they will keep a dog without food for a couple of days. When the dog is good and hungry they will feed him the sausage and then bring him across the Canadian border. Then they will kill the dog and take out the diamonds.

"Gracious," said Secretary Shaw when he read this message. He referred it to the Secret Service division. John Wilkie, the Chief of Secret Service, hurried down to see Assistant Secretary Armstrong, who was charged with the customs administration, when every one was forced to the conclusion that the matter was given up.

"If we are ever going to catch that dog," remarked Mr. Armstrong, "we will have to go about it quite differently."

The stillness of death is the only answer to questions about this plot now.

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Charge Three With Robbery.
Edward Lechermann of No. 3813 North Twenty-second street, John Mathaw of No. 1228 North Third street, and John Killoulen of No. 114 North Jefferson avenue, are prisoners at the Fourth District Police Station charged with robbing a wagon of the Simmons Hardware Company, Saturday night. A typewriter was stolen from the wagon.

Former Patrolman's Wife Dies.
Mrs. Rose Kaplan, wife of former Patrolman John Kaplan, who was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury in connection with naturalization frauds, died Saturday morning at the City Hospital.

Injured by Street Car.
M. J. Ryan, a salesman, of No. 1732 North Leffingwell avenue, was struck by an Olive Street car at the corner of Olive street and Ewing avenue, early yesterday morning. His scalp was badly lacerated and he was taken to the City Hospital.

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CHURCH TO CONSIDER UNION.

Report of Recent Conference to
Be Submitted at Dallas.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Dallas, Tex., Jan. 21.—The General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church is to meet in Dallas on the third Thursday in May. It is stated that there will be in attendance at least 250 delegates, representing churches from New Jersey to California. This will be the fourth assembly ever held in Texas in the 100 years history of the church.

For the second time in the church's history the question of union with the parent institution, the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, is to be considered. A committee was appointed at the assembly held in Nashville a year ago to meet a like committee from other Presbyterian churches.

What is believed to be the most important meeting of the committee has been held in St. Louis during the current week. That committee's report is to be submitted to the General Assembly.

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Freezing Hurts Fruit.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Alto Pass, Ill., Feb. 21.—Inestimable damage to fruit trees resulted in this section of the State last night from a heavy rain-fall throughout the night, freezing as it fell, thus overburdening the already ice-laden trees. Whole orchards, especially of older trees, were stripped of their branches.

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MUSCOGEE "TIMES" CHANGES.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Muscooke, I. T., Feb. 21.—Yesterday afternoon the Muscooke Evening Times changed management, the Greens taking possession, and the paper has been changed from a Democratic organ to one of Independent policy.

This has caused a commotion among local Democrats, as it leaves them without a paper on the eve of a city campaign, in which each party controls about the same number of votes.

Several prominent Democrats announced to-night that they would start a paper next week, but refused to state who will be in charge. The Times has been the foremost Democratic paper in the Territory.